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May 12, 2021

Mr. Gary Mitchell  
Fieldwood Energy Offshore LLC  
2000 W. Sam Houston Pkwy S., Suite 1200  
Houston, Texas 77042

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Reference is made to Fieldwood Energy Offshore LLC's (Fieldwood) Right-of-way (ROW) modification application (TIMSWEB submittal ID: 213148425) received by the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) Pipeline Section on April 20, 2021, for Pipeline Segment Number (PSN) 6748 associated with ROW No. OCS-G 09322.

Specifically, Fieldwood requests a temporary cessation of operations for PSN 6748 until June 30, 2021. PSN 6748 has been out-of-service since September 2, 2020. The temporary cessation of operations is being requested due to a delay in repairs, which should be completed by May 31, 2021.

Please be advised that this may be the last Cessation of Operations granted for this pipeline under this same repair-delay justification. Any further requests are to be accompanied by a duly signed and executed contract outlaying an activity schedule.

The table below describes the pipeline segment pertaining to the aforementioned application:

PSN	Size (NPS)	Length (feet)	Service	Origin	Termination
6748	6	4,554	Oil	Platform C Ship Shoal Area Block 169	18-inch SSTI Ship Shoal Area Block 169

Pursuant to 30 CFR 250.1000(b), Fieldwood's application is hereby approved subject to the following conditions:

1. The annual rental required by 30 CFR 250.1012 shall continue to be due and payable in December of each calendar year.
2. If the associated pipeline has not been returned to service and is not being used for the purpose for which the pipeline ROW grant was made by June 30, 2021 the ROW grant shall be deemed expired in accordance with 30 CFR 250.1014. As a reminder per 30 CFR 250.1010(h) the ROW holder must remove all pipeline segments and accessories associated with ROW No. OCS-G 09322 within one year of the effective date of the relinquishment or forfeiture (i.e. expiration). Furthermore, a decommissioning application must be submitted

to the BSEE Pipeline Section to decommission PSN 6748 within 30 days from the effective date of the relinquishment or forfeiture (i.e. expiration).

3. If at any time prior to June 30, 2021 it is determined that the use of PSN 6748 is to be permanently discontinued, an application to decommission the pipeline and relinquish the pipeline ROW shall be submitted to BSEE Pipeline Section.

Fieldwood is hereby reminded of the following in the event that PSN 6748 is not returned to service on or before September 2, 2021:

1. Pursuant to 30 CFR 250.1006(b)(2), the subject pipeline segment must be flushed and filled with inhibited seawater.
2. Pursuant to 30 CFR 250.1003(b)(1), the subject pipeline segment must be hydrostatically tested for at least eight (8) hours at a stabilized pressure of a minimum of 1.25 times the Maximum Allowable Operating Pressure (MAOP) prior to return to service.

Sincerely,

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